# Reorganizational and Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358
January 19, 2010, 7:00 p.m.
Staff Room, Karlstad, MN

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 7:00 p.m. and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Koland, Murray, Olson, Sollund, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom, Superintendent Ruud and Principal Sorgaard were present.

Member Wikstrom was nominated Chairperson by Member Sollund. Other nominations: None Chairperson Wikstrom declared Member Wikstrom duly elected by acclamation.

Member Koland was nominated Vice Chairperson by Member Murray. Other nominations: None Chairperson Wikstrom declared Member Koland duly elected by acclamation.

Member Sollund was nominated Clerk by Member Koland. Other nominations: None Chairperson Wikstrom declared Member Sollund duly elected by acclamation.

Member Olson was nominated Treasurer by Member Sollund. Other nominations: None Chairperson Wikstrom declared Member Olson duly elected by acclamation.

Member Koland moved, Member Olson seconded to authorize the following committee assignments: UC

| <b>Board Committee</b>          | <u>2010</u>               |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1). MSHSL                       | Koland                    |
| 2). NWRIC                       | Burkel                    |
| 3). MREA                        | Swenson                   |
| 4). MSBA                        | Wikstrom                  |
| 5). Moose Country               | Wikstrom                  |
| 6). Continuing Ed.              | Koland                    |
| 7). Certified Negotiations      | Koland, Sollund, Murray   |
| 8). Administrative Negotiations | Burkel, Wikstrom          |
| 9). Support Staff               | Wikstrom, Burkel          |
| 10). Building & Grounds         | Wikstrom, Koland, Sollund |
| 11). Athletic Boosters          | Olson                     |
| 12). Music Boosters             | Olson                     |
| 13). Drama Boosters             | Swenson                   |
| 14). Advisory Committee         | Burkel, Murray, Swenson   |
| 15). Staff Development          | Wikstrom                  |

Member Swenson moved, Member Sollund seconded to authorize membership and participation in the following organizations: UC

Minnesota State High School League - MSHSL Northwest Regional Interdistrict Council - RIC Region I -ESV Northwest Service Cooperative - NWSC Minnesota Rural Education Association - MREA Minnesota School Boards Association - MSBA Minnesota Moose Country Telecommunications Project - MOOSE Adult Basic Education Program

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to set the annual school board members salary at \$100 per meeting for regular meetings, with \$150 and rooms paid for attending the state school board convention, and that members be paid mileage at the negotiated rate, and that members be paid \$75 per day while on school-related business. **UC** 

Member Swenson moved, Member Koland seconded to set the regular meetings of the board for the coming year on the following dates and times and that the meet and confer meetings be held as designated (\*) prior to the regular meetings or at the request of the staff and that two members audit the bills monthly. **UC** 

| *February 16 | 7:00 p.m. | Wikstrom/ Burkel |
|--------------|-----------|------------------|
| March 16     | 7:00 p.m. | Koland/ Sollund  |
| *April 20    | 7:00 p.m. | Olson/ Swenson   |
| May 18       | 8:00 p.m. | Wikstrom/ Burkel |
| June 15      | 8:00 p.m. | Olson/ Koland    |
| July 20      | 8:00 p.m. | Murray/ Swenson  |
| August 17    | 8:00 p.m. | Sollund/Burkel   |
| September 21 | 8:00 p.m. | Murray/ Koland   |
| *October 19  | 8:00 p.m. | Olson/ Wikstrom  |
| November 16  | 7:00 p.m. | Swenson/Burkel   |
| *December 21 | 7:00 p.m. | Murray/ Olson    |
| January 18   | 7:00 p.m. | Koland/ Sollund  |

Member Murray moved, Member Sollund seconded to

- designate the North Star News as the Official Newspaper of the district
- designate the Prime Security Bank and the MSBA Liquid Asset Fund as the primary depositories of district funds
- post notices of special meetings on the east front entrance and the south entry
- authorize appropriate investments of school district funds by the superintendent during the course of the year
- continue the use of the signature writer for payment of district obligations. UC

#### WE ARE PROUD OF...

- We are proud of Mrs. Englund and Mr. Thompson and the elementary students for the wonderful Christmas programs in December. They were a joy to attend.
- We are proud of the 7 Spanish II students who showed such respect and great behavior at the UND Art Museum Exhibit "Los Desaparecidos" on Monday, January 11.
- We are proud of the students and staff for the generous donations to the Food Pantry in December.

- We are proud of the eleven 8th Grade Choir students who attended the Creativity Festival in Bemidji on Thursday, Jan. 7. Kelli Amb, Laura Anderson, Jake Cieklinski, Mykael Dembiczak, Shirley Gallaway, Morgan Koland, Mallory Krantz, Sarah Murray, Mikhail Ronnander, Natasha Wheeler and Shania Wollin attended this event with their advisor, Mrs. Englund. They explored a lot of different creative areas and represented Tri-County School with great pride and creative energy.
- We are proud of our Tri-County First Graders... for the awesome dance performance at halftime of the GBB game...Jan. 11...and their performance during their visit to the "Meadows"...on Jan. 14th.

Member Koland moved, Member Swenson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC

Member Koland moved, Member Murray seconded to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2009 regular meeting and the January 5, 2010 special meeting. UC

Member Koland moved, Member Sollund seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds. UC

|                            | <u>Last Year</u> | <u>This Year</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| GENERAL                    | \$144,995.89     | \$91,829.26      |
| FOOD SERVICE               | 6,226.23         | 8,831.74         |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE          | <u>255.74</u>    | <u>1,874.71</u>  |
| TOTAL                      | \$151,477.86     | \$102,535.71     |
| Additional December Bills: |                  | \$15,883.59      |

Visitors present were Kathy Englund and Melissa Thompson (drama department).

### **Action Items**

Member Sollund introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, there has been a reduction in student enrollment, and,

WHEREAS, this decrease in student enrollment must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2358, as follows: That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions as a result of reduction in enrollment, make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Murray and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: UC

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Principal Sorgaard reported on the following: Test Schedule; PLC Update; Teacher Workshop – January 18; Paraprofessional Week; One-Act Play; Donuts for Dads

Superintendent Ruud reported on the following: State Funding Estimate

### **Board Report:**

NW RIC: Member Burkel reported on the special board meeting in regard to salary negotiations.

Member Koland moved, Member Burkel seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by James Sollund, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Next Meeting: February 16 at 7:00 p.m.